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Bug of the Month Bindweed Moth & Caterpillar



Field bindweed is a vine in the morning glory family which produces pretty little flowers, but causes huge problems for farmers and gardeners alike. The vines can be attacked and defoliated by a pale brown caterpillar that is now available from the Insectary.

The adult is the bindweed moth which is dark brown with distinctive white markings on the forewings. Bindweed caterpillars are available during most of the summer and into the fall.



Colorado has the distinction of being the first state where bindweed moths have become established and they now occur naturally in and around the Grand Valley.